

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Joint Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC,
North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation
and Saluda River Electric Cooperative, Inc. to
Amend the Certificate of Environmental
Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity
for Catawba Nuclear Station

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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to Amend the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public
Convenience and Necessity for Catawba Nuclear Station
Docket No. 2008-117-E**

Dear Mr. Terreni:

We respectfully request that the Commission waive the hearing and approve the joint application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC; North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation ("NCEMC"); and Saluda River Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Saluda River") for approval to amend the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity of the Catawba Nuclear Station to reflect the transfer of Saluda River's interest in the Catawba Nuclear Station to Duke Energy Carolinas and NCEMC. Duke Energy Carolinas published the notice of filing of the application as required by the Commission. The deadline for intervention was May 2, 2008, and no comments or petitions to intervene have been filed. The Office of Regulatory Staff has indicated that it does not object to the request being made in this letter.

S.C. Code Section 58-33-130(2) provides that the Commission shall hold a hearing on an amendment to a Certificate "if the proposed change in the facility would result in any significant increase in any environmental impact of the facility or a substantial change in the location of all or a portion of the facility." As described in detail in the application, Duke Energy Carolinas will continue to operate Catawba Nuclear Station in accordance with designs, plans, and specifications contained in the Certificate issued by the Commission and the Operating License issued by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Since Duke Energy Carolinas already operates the facility and will continue to operate it in the same manner, there will be no change in the environmental impact or location. Duke Energy Carolinas, Saluda River and NCEMC submit that a hearing is not required or needed and would serve no useful purpose. Therefore, we respectfully request that the Commission consider this matter without holding the hearing currently scheduled for September 11, 2008.

If you have any questions, please have someone on your staff contact me.

Yours truly,

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